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SUBJ: CERP REPORTING- INDUSTRY OUTLOOK REPORT,
IRON AND STEEL

IN VIEW OF EXPERTISE OF REGIONAL MINERALS OFFICER IN
IRON AND STEEL FIELD AND FACT HIS OTHER REPORTING
ALREADY INVOLVES SUBSTANTIAL RESEARCH IN THIS INDUSTRY,
EMBASSY AND AMCONSUL JOHANNESBURG HAVE AGREED TO TRANS-
FER SUBJECT REPORT TO REGIONAL MINERALS OFFICER IN
JOHANNESBURG. IN COURSE OF DISCUSSIONS ON REPORT, IT WAS
NOTED THAT CURRENT DUE DATE (NOV 30) RESULTS IN MOST
RECENT DATA BEING REPORTED FOR PARTIAL YEAR. WE WOULD
THEREFORE PROPOSE THAT DUE DATE BE MOVED TO MARCH 1 WHICH
WOULD ENABLE REPORT COVER FULL CALENDAR YEAR. MOST
PRODUCTION STATISTICS FOR FULL PREVIOUS YEAR WOULD BE
AVAILABLE BY THAT TIME. WE RECOGNIZE THERE MAY BE FACTORS
ON WASHINGTON SIDE AFFECTING TIMING OF WHICH WE ARE
UNAWARE. THEREFORE REQUEST DEPT'S VIEWS ON FEASIBILITY
OF SHIFTING DUE DATE. WOULD APPRECIATE EARLY RESPONSE
AS PRESENT DUE DATE IS QUITE NEAR.
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